

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 5, line 26, with the following rewritten paragraph:

The arm 4 includes an arm frame 30 having a rear end fitted with a pair of bearings 31 so that the arm frame is rotatively slid. The arm 4 is rotatable between a sewing position shown by solid line in FIG. 2 and a retreat position shown by chain line in FIG. 2. An arm cover 32 (see FIG. 1) covering the arm 4 is formed with a protrusion 33 protruding horizontally rightward. A liquid crystal display (not shown) is provided on a top of the protrusion 33. The liquid crystal display includes a touch panel provided on an upper side of thereof. The touch panel is provided with various operation keys such as a pattern selecting key for selecting an embroidery pattern. The protrusion 33 is slightly inclined frontward downward in order that the user may operate the touch panel easily.